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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Confirmation No. 3570

Aldcroft et al

Group Art Unit: 1616

Application Serial No. 09/763,916

Examiner: Neil S. Levy

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Title: PARTICULATE CARRIER FOR BIOCIDES FORMULATIONS

January 10, 2003

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2002, please amend the application as follows herein.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please enter the following amended claims:

42. (as renumbered, original claim 44--twice amended) A method as claimed in claim 41 [as renumbered, original claim 43] in which the biocide is an isothiazolone.

See the attached Appendix for the changes made to effect the above claim(s).